

**City of Stevens Point
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Council Chambers
County-City Building**

**October 21, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Andrew J. Halverson, presiding

Roll Call: Ald. Doxtator, Suomi, O’Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Patton, R. Stroik, Philips, Moore

Also Present: City Atty. Beveridge, Clerk Moe, C/T Ladick, Directors Schatschneider, Schrader, Ostrowski, Lemke, Emergency Mgt. Director McGinty, Police Chief Ruder, Fire Chief Kujawa, Human Resources Manager Jakusz, Chris Jones-Stevens Point Journal, Nathanael Enwald-Portage County Gazette, Brandi Makuski-Stevens Point City Times

2. Salute to the Flag and Mayor’s opening remarks.

Mayor Halverson welcomed two international delegates from Gaungzhou, China that were in the audience.

3. Consideration and possible action of the minutes of the Regular Common Council meeting of September 16, 2013 and the Special Common Council meeting of September 25, 2013.

Ald. Moore **moved**, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Common Council meeting of September 16, 2013 and the Special Common Council meeting of September 25, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: All.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

4. *Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council on specific agenda items other than a “Public Hearing” must register their request at this time. Those who wish to address the Common Council during a “Public Hearing” are not required to identify themselves until the “Public Hearing” is declared open by the Mayor.

5. Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council for up to three (3) minutes on a non-agenda item.

No one wished to speak.

6. Presentation by Lori Dehlinger - annual report for the Portage County Business Council.

Lori Dehlinger, Executive Director of the Portage County Business Council, gave the annual report to the Council on the progress of economic development in the community. Handouts of the informational brochure are available at the City Clerk’s office.

7. Public Hearing - Citizen Participation – Public Comment on the implementation of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the Downtown Revitalization Project (Mall Redevelopment Project).

Mayor Halverson declared the public hearing open.

Director Ostrowski gave an update on the block grant for the project.

Mayor Halverson declared the public hearing closed.

8. St. Stephen's Parish appeal of the Historic Preservation/Design Review Commission's denial of its application to demolish the former convent building.

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar W, requested Council postpone or deny St. Stephen's request to demolish the building and reuse a part or parts of it that is acceptable to all parties.

Mary Ann Laszewski, 1209 Wisconsin Street, said there is a broad concern over demolishing St. Stephen's convent and she thanked the Mayor for his efforts and support on the matter. She proposed a commitment from the parish that the site be preserved as green space. Ms. Laszewski also suggested the parish assist with preservation efforts to design an appropriate memorial to the sisters and to not further strip the property of hardware or remove any architecture detail. She requested the demolition be postponed until alternative options can be explored. Ms. Laszewski further stated that in preservation conversations with the parish pastor, he was enthused about cooperating.

Ald. Wiza asked if there was any one present representing St. Stephen's and if they were open to the suggestion of a memorial.

Mr. DiSalvo acknowledged conversations taking place regarding the concept of creating a memorial of some sort. He said the parish has plans for green space.

Ald. O'Meara asked if the parish would be willing to commit not to do any stripping of the building or taking out any architectural features for 90 days.

Mayor Halverson asked Mr. DiSalvo about the overall time frame for demolition and the thoughts of a shrine of some kind.

Mr. DiSalvo said they would be willing to work something out and they have no plans to do anything with the building within the next 90 days. He further explained the original plans were to demolish the building in early June of 2013; however, under the circumstances, nothing will take place until the following June should the demolition permit be granted.

Ald. Wiza stated that since demolition will not be occurring until June of 2014, any interested party could try to work with the parish to reach an agreement regarding a memorial.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. Phillips seconded, to approve the authorization to demolish the former convent building beginning June 2014.

Ald. Wiza strongly encouraged the parish to work with community members to establish a memorial.

Ald. Trzebiatowski stated it is sad the building has deteriorated and needs to be torn down.

Ald. Suomi said she understands that conditions cannot be added to the demolition and is also saddened by its deteriorated state. She asked if it is possible to compromise and send it back to Historical Preservation for a plan that the church will commit to a memorial.

Mayor Halverson said the Historical Design Review Commission acted and denied the demolition. He stated the building is beyond repair and it needs to be demolished. Mayor Halverson said he hopes the citizens and church can work together to find a resolution.

Ald. O'Meara asked the parish to cooperate with a photographer regarding the recording of pictures of the convent so they can be archived.

Mr. DiSalvo said the parish would be happy to cooperate.

Ald. R. Stroik said that knowing the parish will not be tearing the building down until after the school year, Council should postpone the demolition permit.

Mayor Halverson said we do not get a chance to be involved in what the entity that is asking for the demolition permit is going to do with the property afterwards. He stated we are involved in the historic nature and the deterioration of the building,

Director Ostrowski explained the demolition authorization process and stated conditions are not attached because the standards need to be met.

Ald. Slowinski questioned if there is recourse to pull the permit if the demolition permit is granted -- and before demolition takes place -- it is determined the convent can be restored.

Director Ostrowski said no, not once it is granted.

Ald. Trzebiatowski stated if the church decides not to tear down the building after the permit is issued, that is their prerogative. He also questioned if the Council has the right to delay demolition.

Ald. O'Meara appealed to the parish that their actions do not preclude the community in the demolition process if something is worth saving.

Ald. Slowinski questioned if the demolition permit could be postponed until spring when the parish could come back with a plan for a memorial.

Mayor Halverson said there is an action requirement. He reiterated the appeal process and the fact that the parish does not have the financial means to keep the building. Mayor Halverson stated there should not be further thought what a plan could look like for a memorial and the decision about demolition should be black or white according to the standards.

City Attorney Beveridge said the best avenue is to focus on the standard of review as it is laid out in the ordinance and Council needs to make a factual decision.

Ald. Wiza agreed and stated that is why he made the motion. He also stated he would like the parish to consider a memorial due to the fact that conditions cannot be put on the demolition permit. Ald. Wiza asked City Attorney Beveridge if there is a time restriction to make a decision on the appeal.

City Attorney Beveridge said that when the body acts in a judicial or quasi-judicial context, the entity asking for the determination on a matter is entitled to timely action.

Ald. Wiza stated he is putting his trust in the church that they will do the right thing in this case.

Ald. Phillips requested putting a date for demolition on the permit.

Mayor Halverson said there is no way that a date can be associated with a demolition permit. He said the permit is either granted or not.

Mr. DiSalvo stated that even if permission for demolition was granted that evening, there is still a large amount of work for the parish to do before demolition. He further stated it would probably take the parish between now and June to prepare the building for demolition.

Ald. Moore said he does not want to see a date put on the permit as he feels it does not need to be time specific.

Ald. Wiza stated if the City Attorney determines a date requirement is inappropriate, he will withdraw the date specification in his motion based on the church representative's testimony that they will not start demolition until spring.

City Attorney Beveridge said the City's ordinances do not contain a provision for putting conditions on a demolition permit.

Mayor Halverson reiterated the motion is to allow the demolition and override the Historic Design Review Commission's determination to deny.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, Patton, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, Wiza, O'Meara, Suomi, Doxtator.

Nays: Ald. R. Stroik, M. Stroik. Motion carried.

9. Minutes of the Plan Commission meeting of October 7, 2013.

Ald. Moore **moved**, Ald. R. Stroik seconded, to approve the Minutes of the Plan Commission meeting of October 7, 2013.

Director Ostrowski explained that Point of Beginning had submitted a site plan for CoVantage Credit Union in which they are shifting the site plan to the north approximately 3 feet. He asked that Council allow them to do so through a motion.

Ald. Moore stated that is included in his motion.

Richard Bierman, 2108 W. Johnsburg Road, Johnsburg, Illinois spoke on behalf of moving a 20' sign on an existing facility over to their new facility on Highway 66 and also requested putting up a 60' pole sign along Interstate 39.

Mayor Halverson said that will have to be acted upon independently by Council.

Roll Call: Ayes: Majority.
Nays: Minority. Motion carried.

Mayor Halverson said the Plan Commission debated the 60' sign request. There was a general consensus of the Plan Commission that the 60' sign was appropriate given the unique property characteristics that exist at the new Honda site.

Ald. Patton **moved**, Ald. Phillips seconded, to approve the sign variance.

Director Ostrowski explained there were two variances requested – one being the 60' sign and the other would be moving the 20' sign. He asked for clarification on the motion whether both or one will be approved.

Ald. Patton said he is moving to approve both.

Mayor Halverson reiterated the motion is to accept the exception to the sign code for the 60' sign as well as the relocated sign.

Ald. Suomi said she agrees with Commissioner Haines as far as the consistency of the sign ordinances. She requested clarification for this variance and asked if it is specifically related to the value of the property on the interchange. Ald. Suomi also asked if there are any other properties on the interchange that could benefit by this type of variance.

Mayor Halverson said it will be limited due to the lack of direct interstate exposure of City properties and any of these properties would be limited more aggressively than this site by height limitation issues with the FAA and airport. He said this site is hidden from visibility from the interstate; however, it does have a higher property value due to its location directly off the interstate interchange.

Ald. Suomi then asked for clarification of the Mack sign.

Director Ostrowski said the Mack sign predates the sign ordinance and is non-conforming. If a structural modification to the sign were made, it would exceed 50% of the value and it would have to be removed.

Ald. O'Meara stated he will not be voting in favor of the motion due to the fact that he does not think high signs by the interstate make a difference in sales.

Ald. Phillips said he is in favor of encouraging profitability for a business in the community via a high sign.

Mayor Halverson restated the motion is to approve both variances.

Roll Call: Ayes: Majority.
Nays: Minority. Motion carried.

10. Public Hearing – Conditional Use - Request from Ministry Saint Michael's Hospital for a conditional use permit to construct a 15,000 square foot addition and associated equipment within the required setback at 900 Illinois Avenue (Parcel ID 2408-33-2003-15).

As no one wished to speak, Mayor Halverson declared the public hearing closed.

11. Resolution on the above.

Ald. Patton moved, Ald. Moore seconded, to approve the Resolution.

Ald. O'Meara moved, to amend the Resolution that since the building will be moved closer to the sidewalk, he asked that one of the conditional uses be that the hospital is to be responsible for not placing snow back out into the street and have it hauled off the sidewalk on the east side of the property.

Motion to amend failed due to a lack of a second.

Mayor Halverson called for approval of the original motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Doxtator, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Patton, R. Stroik, Phillips, Moore
Nays: None. Motion carried.

12. Donation of land from Albert Feltz to the City of Stevens Point to be designated as parkland located east of Parkway Drive on McDill Pond (Portion of Parcel ID 2308-03-2001-28) and authorization of payment for costs associated with the transfer.

Mayor Halverson thanked and commended Mr. Feltz for the generous donation of park land.

Ald. O'Meara moved, Ald. Slowinski seconded, to accept the donation.

Ald. Moore stated this park land will not be developed and it will have minimal maintenance cost.

Mayor Halverson said that is correct. There are plans for a hiking trail to the view area but no developments are otherwise planned. He clarified with Ald. O'Meara and Ald. Slowinski that the motion also includes the costs of transfer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, R. Stroik, Patton, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, M. Stroik, Wiza, O'Meara, Suomi, Doxtator.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

13. Minutes and actions of the Public Protection Committee meeting of October 14 and the minutes of the Special Public Protection Committee meeting of September 25 and the actions taken at the Special Public Protection Committee meeting of October 21, 2013.

Ald. R. Stroik moved, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, to approve the Minutes and actions of the Public Protection Committee meeting of October 14 and the minutes of the Special Public Protection Committee meeting of September 25 and the actions taken at the Special Public Protection Committee meeting of October 21, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: All.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

14. Ordinance Amendment – Animal Care and Licenses – Prohibited Dog Owners.

Barb Jacob, 1616 Depot Street, said the City should look at charging license fees for pigs, chickens and other pets.

Ald. Wiza said he thinks it is a good idea and the City should look into it.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. M. Stroik seconded, to approve the Ordinance Amendment.

Ald. O'Meara said this issue has come up before and he will be voting against the ordinance amendment.

City Attorney Beveridge said this ordinance amendment is just to add Section 5 about prohibited dog owners.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Doxtator, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Patton, R. Stroik, Phillips, Moore.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

15. Ordinance – Peace and Offenses – Chronic Nuisance.

Rich Sommer, 4224 Janick Circle, stated he believes the ordinance is for people who have sworn police powers and it shifts the responsibility to property owners. He asked Council to vote no on the issue.

Paul Wachowiak, 1620 Meadow View Lane, spoke about lawsuits filed in other communities regarding chronic nuisance ordinances. He claimed wherever these laws are enacted, it constitutes an attack on the rights of tenants and landlords. He urged Council to delay or deny the Ordinance.

Dave James, 1326 High Ridge Road, said he strongly supports law enforcement and the tools necessary for them to deal with the problems in the community but said people need to be held accountable for their actions. He reviewed concerns he had with the ordinance as drafted.

Joe Cyran, 1917 Church Street, said as a landlord, he is not in favor of the ordinance as it seems to single out his business and he is concerned about the vagueness of the language in the ordinance. He also requested Council postpone or deny the passing of the ordinance.

Ald. Wiza said he received an email from Dallas Pankowski stating as property owners in the City, they are against the ordinance.

City Attorney Beveridge reviewed some of the concerns brought forward. He said part of the ordinance is a list of the types of offenses that constitute a nuisance and a list of items that have to go into the letters that need to be provided to premise owners as part of the notice. City Attorney Beveridge made it clear that this is not a tool to punish anyone, but rather a tool to create cooperation. He said the function is to abate repeated nuisances and the consequences are there in order to bring people to the table.

Ald. Moore requested the definition of premise be described in the ordinance.

City Attorney Beveridge encouraged a definition that states that a premise is defined as one parcel of land.

Ald. Suomi asked City Attorney Beveridge to clarify the sole intent of developing the ordinance. She also stated there is a lot of discretion on the Chief of Police to establish a nuisance activity.

City Attorney Beveridge said the intent of the ordinance is two-fold. He said it is a means of having cooperation where landlords can get involved and come up with a plan to abate the nuisance. If it reaches the point where the landlord is uncooperative, taxpayers will not have to shoulder the cost for responding to the same location for the same problems.

Mayor Halverson suggested a motion to postpone action until the next Public Protection Committee meeting to ensure that all appropriate changes can be made to the document by the City Attorney.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. Suomi seconded, to postpone action on the Ordinance until the November Public Protection Committee meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

16. Minutes and actions of the Finance Committee meeting of October 14, 2013.

Ald. R. Stroik **moved**, Ald. Moore seconded, to approve the Minutes and actions of the Finance Committee meeting of October 14, 2013 with the exception of item #2 pulled for further discussion by Ald. Slowinski which was without objection by Ald. R. Stroik and Ald. Moore.

Ald. Wiza commented about item #5 which is the approval of assessment contract services in which he is against as it is a bad idea. He feels it is a disservice to the citizens of the City of Stevens Point to pay \$50,000 a year for a contract that requires the assessor's presence for one day a week. Ald. Wiza stated it is not too late to turn down the contract. He will be voting against the minutes and actions specifically because of item #5.

Ald. Suomi thanked C/T Ladick for the break out project. She noted being under budget by \$307,694.57.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, R. Stroik, Patton, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, M. Stroik, O'Meara, Suomi, Doxtator
Nays: Ald. Wiza. Motion carried.

Ald. Slowinski said he is concerned with extending the time for compliance with the Greenhouse Agreement. He said a contract was signed with the City and they agreed to make improvements to the property but the owners have not followed through. He does not want to set a precedence of granting extensions.

Ald. Slowinski **moved**, Ald. Phillips seconded, to allow the extension but to require the greenhouse group to pay in-lieu of taxes the amount as if the property was at the \$250,000 assessed value beginning December 1.

Director Ostrowski explained that even with the motion, the City is still protected and there is a first position lien on the property. He further explained that even if they default, it could be acted upon.

Ald. Wiza stated the agreement with Executive Place was altered and it was still a successful project.

City Attorney Beveridge said by action of the Council, the agreement cannot be changed.

Ald. O'Meara said he is hesitant to go along with Ald. Slowinski's motion. He stated these developments should be successful and they have been making a good faith effort.

City Attorney Beveridge said the way the agreement is structured, if they do not meet that level of assessed value after 24 months from the date of the agreement, the City would have specific types of recourse.

Mayor Halverson called for a recess at 8:53 p.m.

Mayor Halverson called the meeting back to order at 9:02 p.m.

City Attorney Beveridge said the agreement does not provide any specific remedy in the event the assessment value timetable is not met. He indicated it would be a general default provision.

Ald. Slowinski withdrew his motion.

Ald. Slowinski moved, Ald. Doxtator seconded, to amend the developer's agreement to extend the deadline in exchange for payment in-lieu of taxes based upon the \$250,000 value of the structure.

Ald. Trzebiatowski questioned if it is legal since the City has a binding contract under the developer's agreement.

City Attorney Beveridge said since they are coming to the City asking for a modification of the agreement, the City would offer the exchange in lieu of the tax payment.

Ald. Wiza said this provides a benefit to the community since the building was vacant and in disarray for quite some time. He said progress has been made even though it has not been at a rapid pace and he is in favor of giving them more time.

Ald. Moore questioned if the tax collected would stay the same if the assessment came in more than \$250,000.

Mayor Halverson replied no, taxes would be paid on the entire amount of the assessment. He said there is a minimum amount of \$250,000 in place for the building improvements – not the land.

Ald. Suomi asked for a dollar figure.

C/T Ladick said it would be \$4,696.14.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Doxtator, Slowinski, Patton, Phillips
Nays: Ald. Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Trzebiatowski, R. Stroik, Moore
Motion fails.

Ald. R. Stroik moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, to approve the minutes and actions of item #2 of the Finance Committee meeting of October 14, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, R. Stroik, Patton, Trzebiatowski, M. Stroik, Wiza, O'Meara, Suomi
Nays: Ald. Slowinski, Doxtator. Motion carried.

17. Minutes and actions of the Board of Public Works meeting of October 14, 2013.

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar W, Whiting expressed his opinion about the lack of public input at the meeting regarding the Business 51 project.

Mayor Halverson said there will be a separate public information meeting on the next round of alternatives. In addition, there will be another public information meeting for the final alternatives. He stated the presentation was for the Board of Public Works and the Alderpersons about the status of the Business 51 project. The public will be able to comment at the next meeting scheduled in November.

Barb Jacob, 1616 Depot Street, spoke against a two lane highway for Business 51 and obtaining more input from the public about the project.

Ald. O'Meara **moved**, Ald. Suomi seconded, to approve the Minutes and actions of the Board of Public Works meeting of October 14, 2013.

Ald. R. Stroik said the public process for input regarding Business 51 is far from over.

Ald. Wiza questioned if a date for those public hearings has been set.

Director Schatschneider said a meeting is scheduled for November 20th at Jefferson School.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Doxtator, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Patton, R. Stroik, Phillips, Moore.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

18. Minutes and actions of the Personnel Committee meeting of October 14, and the Special Personnel Committee of September 30, 2013 and the minutes of the Special Personnel Committee of September 25, 2013.

Dave Schleihs, 1026 Smith Street, addressed Council regarding the comparables for the management pay plan and encouraged moving Stevens Point to the average salary scale.

Ald. Patton **moved**, Ald. Phillips seconded, to approve the Minutes and actions of the Personnel Committee meeting of October 14, and the Special Personnel Committee of September 30, 2013 and the minutes of the Special Personnel Committee of September 25, 2013.

Ald. Wiza stated he would like to pull item #2 from the October 14, 2013 minutes and the minutes from the September 25, 2013 Special Personnel Committee meeting which are the items referring to the management pay plan.

Ald. Patton and Ald. Phillips accepted the pulled items without objection.

Roll Call: Ayes: All

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ald. Wiza stated he felt the pay plan is being rushed through due to the budget. He expressed concern regarding a fairly debated discussion on the outcome of the pay plan study with less than a week to formulate the numbers into the budget.

Mayor Halverson said it is unfortunate and if the comparables are modified, it will cause another delay. He stated the timelines are tight at this point.

Ald. Wiza proposed a standard, across the board 1% pay increase to give time to thoroughly review the pay plan study so it is done correctly even if it takes the next budget cycle. Ald. Wiza questioned if there would be a downside to his proposal.

Mayor Halverson said absolutely and it would be inappropriate. He stated there is approximately \$170,000 allocated for salary adjustments.

Ald. Wiza questioned if the pay study was completed.

Mayor Halverson said he has a draft of the plan based on Mr. Carlson's comparables. He stated Council needs to either affirm the comparables being used or give direction to build a new plan.

Ald. Wiza stated he felt City staff would rather see this done the right way rather than the fast way.

Mayor Halverson said the way Mr. Carlson is structuring the plan is correct and is the way that should be followed.

Ald. Phillips stated after further thought regarding the comparables that were voted on at the Personnel Committee, some of the communities included in the study have up to 4 or 5 times higher or lower than the assessed value of Stevens Point. He recommended a change in the comparables to reflect taking only 8 of the 12 into consideration.

Mayor Halverson said there is a specific breakdown that is based on the per capita evaluation of the assessed value based on the city's population and based on the other communities in the study. He said the number of rank can be seen based on a per capita basis is that the comparables that Mr. Carlson is using are in line with where the City is and where it ranks from a per capita perspective with equalized value and population. Mayor Halverson said that is an important qualifier. However, he stated, he does not know how changing the comparables would make it better because Mr. Carlson uses a state-wide approach. He further stated the pay plan is not complete and there are some major concerns that need to be addressed.

Ald. Patton said if the methodology is picked apart, it does not pay to hire a consultant.

Ald. Moore said the City needs to pay employees fairly and he would like to see the pay scales in the middle. He stated some of the comparables used do not make sense because they are not being told how they were chosen.

Mayor Halverson said the comparables were chosen according to the similarity in the per capita ranking of equalized value.

Ald. Moore disagreed.

Ald. Trzebiatowski said retention of the employees should also be taken into consideration. He said he had the C/T's office compare from 2004 to the present the various percentages that management received, the ones several unions received and the ones the police union received. He said there was an 18% increase for the management portion and only a 7% increase for the represented and standard employee portion.

Mayor Halverson said there are deficiencies that exist in the hourly rankings in which some are under in terms of their comparables. He said this is not exclusively a management problem and further explained this is a statistical evaluation of positions based on the review with objective data.

Ald. Trzebiatowski reiterated being cognizant about the hourly staff and being sure there is fair and equal payment to all.

Mayor Halverson said the question that needs to be answered is: "Are we comfortable with the comparables that Mr. Carlson is using or should it be changed?" He said it is vital this be answered tonight.

Ald. Patton reminded Council that Mr. Carlson said if one or two comparables are removed, it would not make a difference either way.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. O'Meara seconded, to approve the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of September 30, 2013

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ald. Slowinski **moved**, Ald. Phillips seconded, to direct Carlson/Dettman to pull the municipalities of De Pere, Eau Claire, La Crosse and Sun Prairie from the pay plan study.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, R. Stroik, Slowinski, Wiza, Doxtator
Nays: Ald. Patton, Trzebiatowski, M. Stroik, O'Meara, Suomi
Motion carried.

19. Minutes and actions of the Board of Water & Sewerage Commissioners meeting of October 14, 2013.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. Moore seconded, to approve the Minutes and actions of the Board of Water & Sewerage Commissioners meeting of October 14, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Doxtator, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Patton, R. Stroik, Phillips, Moore.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

20. Minutes and actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of October 1 and the special Police and Fire Commission meetings of September 24 and October 15, 2013.

Ald. Patton **moved**, Ald. M. Stroik seconded, to approve the Minutes and actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of October 1 and the special Police and Fire Commission meetings of September 24 and October 15, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

21. Minutes and actions of the Board of Park Commissioners meeting of October 2, 2013.

Ald. O'Meara **moved**, Ald. Slowinski seconded, to accept the Minutes and actions of the Board of Park Commissioners meeting of October 2, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

22. Annual Smongeski Health Fund Report and Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2013.

Ald. Slowinski **moved**, Ald. R. Stroik seconded, to approve the Annual Smongeski Health Fund Report and Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2013.

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

23. Statutory Monthly Financial Report of the Comptroller-Treasurer.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. Moore seconded, to accept the report and place it on file.

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

**24. Mayoral Appointment:
Historical Preservation/Design Review Commission
- Appoint Kathy Kruthoff, 4301 Heritage Drive to Alt #2**

Ald. Suomi **moved**, Ald. O'Meara seconded, to accept the Mayoral appointment.

Roll Call: Ayes: All
Nays: None. Motion carried.

25. Motion to enter into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, relating to:

- a. Negotiating the lease/rental of 933 Michigan Avenue (Former Mid-State Building).
- b. Negotiating the lease/rental/development of 1101 Centerpoint Drive (Dunhams Building) with Great Lakes Educational Loan Services Inc.
- c. Negotiating the acquisition of 1401 East Avenue (Emerson School Site).

Ald. Patton **moved**, Ald. O’Meara seconded, to enter into closed session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, R. Stroik, Slowinski, Wiza, Doxtator
Nays: Ald. Patton, Trzebiatowski, M. Stroik, O’Meara, Suomi
Motion carried.

26. Reconvene into open session for possible action relating to the above.

Ald. O’Meara **moved**, Ald. Wiza seconded, to authorize the borrowing of \$500,000 to be transferred to the CDA for lease hold improvements for Great Lakes Higher Education for the former Dunham’s building.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Phillips, R. Stroik, Patton, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, M. Stroik, Wiza, O’Meara, Suomi, Doxtator
Nays: None. Motion carried.

27. Adjournment.

Adjournment at 10:37 p.m.